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MINUTES OF THE EXAMINATION COMMITTEE MEETING December 7, 2006

2535 Capitol Oaks Drive Sacramento, CA 95833-2926

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call to Establish Quorum

Roll call was taken and a quorum established.

Roll Call

Thomas Barry
Mark Johnsson
Thomas Kelty, Ph.D.
Thomas Spittler
Rebecca Sterbentz
Laura Cathcart-Dodge
Jeffrey Schmidt (absent)

Also in Attendance

Pam Hopper, Examination Coordinator Mike Luksic, Enforcement Geologist William E. Black, Board President Cindi Christenson, Acting Executive Officer

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

There was no public comment.

4. Approval of minutes from September 15, 2006 Examination Committee meeting

Dr. Kelty moved to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2006 Examination Committee (Committee) meeting. Mr. Spittler seconded the motion.

5. Review of Board's current Strategic Plan for input on Examination issues

Ms. Hopper explained that the Committee was being asked to provide recommendations, revisions or suggestions that the Committee would like to see in the Strategic Plan specific to examination issues. The Committee identified a number of proposed revisions, including updating date-specific Strategic Plan actions as either completed or ongoing in nature; title updates of "Registered" to "Professional" as appropriate; researching the development of on-demand testing for the California Specific Examination; and adding language to regarding the moratorium on Section 7847 applications that was imposed on October 27, 2006 effective until such time that regulations have been developed that more clearly state requirements for Section 7847 license issuance.

CLOSED SESSION

The Committee adjourned the meeting to Closed Session to consider examination matters (agenda items 6 & 7) (as authorized by section 11126(c)(1) of the Government Code.

6. Review of the Spring 2007 Professional Geologist California-Specific, Professional Geophysicist, Certified Engineering Geologist and Certified Hydrogeologist examinations

The Committee met in Closed Session to consider examination matters as authorized by section 11126(c)(1) of the Government Code

7. Item Writing for Professional Geologist California-Specific, Professional Geophysicist, Certified Engineering Geologist and Certified Hydrogeologist Examination Banks

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OPEN SESSION

8. Report on Results of Closed Session

Ms. Sterbentz reported that the Committee had completed their work and made homework assignments.

9. Establish Meeting Dates, Agenda and Homework Assignments for next Committee Meeting

The Committee set the following meeting calendar and agenda items:

January 18, 2007 – Set up graders for March exam; review the California Specific Examination question bank.

February 9, 2007 – Review Certified Hydrogeologist Examination question bank; review new questions for California Specific Examination; revisit meeting calendar

May 24, 2007 – Agenda items to be determined at a later date.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Rebecca Sterbentz, Committee Chair

Date Approved: January 18, 2007